Licence for Inferior Quality Detergent

2001. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Wheel detergent powder contains 21 per cent insolubles as against 2 percent recommended for ISI Grade-IV detergent; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for issuing new licences for manufacturing detergents inferior to ISI grade and what steps are proposed to be taken by Government to prevent the company from manufacturing inferior quality detergent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) 'Wheel' detergent is not covered by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) Certification Mark Scheme. BIS scheme of certification for detergent powder is also not mandatory. According to BIS Standards, however, the limit for matter insoluble in water for Gr. IV detergent is 2.0% maximum.

2002. *[Transferred to the 30th March, 1989]*

Allocating Off-shore Gas to Maharashtra

2003. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Maharashtra have put up a demand to the Central Government for the allocation of 15 million cubic meters of offshore gas per day for industrial and other uses;

(b) if so, whether the demand has been acceded to; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) Requests have been received from the Government of Maharashtra for allocation of gas for various projects such as power, sponge iron, etc. and for domestic supply.

(b) and (c) About 14.5 MMCMD of gas has been committed for various projects in the State. The present availability of gas and the commitments made already do not permit further commitments at present.

Schemes for women entrepreneurs by Khadi and Village Industries Commission

2004. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of schemes intruduced by Khadi and Village Industries Commission for women entrepreneurs, who have passed vocational courses in the country, during the years 1987-88 and 1988-89 specially in Khadi and textiles;

(b) what are the names and details of such schemes and the expenditure incurred thereon, Statewise;

(c) whether it is also a fact that women do not get any incentive from Khadi Board especially in Delhi, in the case of tenders invited by K.V.I.C., Delhi for tailoring, dying, printing etc ; and

(d) if not, whether there is any scheme for young women entrepreneurs to allocate some quota in the tenders floated by K.V.I.C., if so, what are the details thereof, if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) KVI Schemes cover all